GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Forest Department- Diversion of 0.37 ha. of forest land in Veligonda RF in WL Markapur Division for construction of Water Tank & Laying Pipeline on Veligonda Hill near Veligonda Swamy Temple to supply Fluoride free drinking water to 3 Mandals

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ENVIRONMENT FORESTS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I) DEPT.

G.O.Ms.No. Dated:

Read the following:

1.From GOI, Mo.EF, New Delhi, Lr.No.11-9/98-Forest (C) Act, 1980,

dt. 3-1-2005. and 24-9-2007.

- 2..From Prl.CCF. Lr.No. 31466/2007-F1, Dated; 15-7-2008.
- 3. From Prl.CCF. Lr.No. 31466/2007-F1, Dated; 17-11-2008

ORDER:

In the letters 2nd and 3rd read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad has submitted a proposal for diversion of 0.37 ha. of forest land in Veligonda and Ganigapenta Reserve Forests of Markapur Wild Life Division for construction of Water Tank & Laying Pipeline on Veligonda Hill near Veligonda Swamy Temple to supply Fluoride free drinking water to 180 Nos. of villagers in Konakanamitla, H.M.Padu and Kanigiri Mandals in favour of E.E., RWS (P) Division, Podili

- 2. The Government of India in their letters 1st read above have conveyed their general approval under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 empowering the State Government / Union Territories for according permission for diversion of forest land of below one hector for certain specified activities, subject to certain conditions mentioned therein.
- 3. In view of the above, after careful consideration of the proposal of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad with reference to powers empowered by the Government of India in their letters 1st read above, Government hereby accord permission to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad for diversion of 0.37 ha. of forest land in Veligonda and Ganigapenta Reserve Forests of Markapur Wild Life Division for construction of Water Tank & Laying Pipeline on Veligonda Hill near Veligonda Swamy Temple to supply Fluoride free drinking water to 180 Nos. of villagers in Konakanamitla, H.M.Padu and Kanigiri Mandals in favour of E.E., RWS (P) Division, Podili subject to the following conditions and also to the conditions stipulated in the letter 1st read above:-
 - (1) The legal status of the land shall remain unchanged .
 - (2) The project should not involve felling of more than fifty number of trees per hectare. Corresponding permissible limit of maximum number of trees to be felled for the forest area diverted, shall be in proportion to the extent to the diverted area.
 - (3) The project site should be outside National parks or Wildlife Sanctuary or Protected Areas.

(4) The concerned Divisional Forest Officer shall assess the bareest minimum requirement of the forest land for the project, shall certify to this effect.

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- (5) The User Agency shall Plant and maintain two times the number of trees/ plants felled on the diverted land to maintain the green cover at the project cost and site for the purpose will be identified by the State Forest Department (Preferably within or in the surrounding area of the project). Only indigenous forest tree species shall be used for such plantations. Trees if planted on the diverted area, will not be felled without the permission of the State Forest Department. Trees planted in surrounding area, will belong to State Forest Department only.
- (6) The User Agency shall be responsible for any loss to the flora /fauna in the surroundings and , therefore, shall take all possible measures to conserve the same.
- (7) The User Agency shall pay the Net Present Value (Net Present Value) of the diverted forest land as established by law.
- (8) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- (9) Other conditions specified in the G.OI"s letter 1st read above shall also be complied with by Prl.CCF. and user agency with which they are concerned.
- 4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad is directed to take further action in the matter

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

JANAKI R. KONDAPI, SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO

GOVERNMENT

To The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad. The Executive Engineer, RWS (P) Division, Podili, Prakasahm District.

//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER